CONGRESS BEGINS

BUSINESS OF THE

Spectators Throng Galleries

to Witness Opening.

GAVELS FALL AT NOON

Auspicious Day for Democrats in Both Houses.

Newcomers in Senate Virtually Ob-

literate the Old "Cherokee Strip."

Remarkable Scene in House as

Champ Clark Is Made Speaker, W.

Congress donned harness and

vent to work again yesterday as

naturally as though it were the reg-

ular session-opening season of chill

December instead of a spring-

The crowds rightly deemed the

ccasion auspicious under all the

circumstances. The galleries were

crammed and overflowing. Throngs

of favored ones, both men and

women, surged upon the floor of the

House and found standing room

SCENERY MUCH CHANGED. A month's respite had served as suffi-cient time to change the scenery. Sev-

enteen brand-new Senators were on hand to make up the one-third of that body

which received the oath at the hands

The many new Democrats of the House

were promptly on hand, too. Champ Clark assumed the Speakership with be-

coming grace. Amid vociferous applause,

peppered with shrill rebel yells, he

ushered in the long-yearned-for period of Democratic House rule with his first stentorian "The House will come to

order," accompanied by the crash of the gavel.

It was a gladsome day in Democratic circles at both ends of the Capitol. Not one member of that persuasion has

tated to show how he felt. The smiling

Democratic contingent in the Senate vir-tually obliterated the old "Cherokee Strip" with their swelled number. Dig-

nified hand-shaking was the order of the day in that body. In the House members applauded until their hands were sore and cheered until their throats were

forty-one, gave way to the Democrats under Champ Clark and his supporters.

sixty-eight. While the Senate still remains Repub

lican, the margin is so narrow that the independent control of the so-called con-

Republican Ranks Depleted. The depleted Republican side appeared

wounds. Nevertheless, the Republicans

for the session with ranks sca insurgent dissension still caus

of Vice President Sherman.

threatened April.

and a few seats.

Joining in the Cheering.

SPECIAL SESSION

ONE CENT.

OUR DIPLOMACY IS CRITICISED BY BRYAN IN ADDRESS

Defends the Work of For- Ex-Senator May Direct Pro- Prof. Merriam, Reformer, Is eign Missionaries.

DO NOT BRING ON WAR PLANS OF ROTHERMEL NAMED FOR FIFTH TIME

More Danger from Those Who Secretary to Be Placed in Charge Successful Candidate Will Equal Go Purely for Gain.

Asserts that the People Who Are Standard of the People-Refers to the Godless Lines of Those Who Seck Money Alone.

At the hands of William Jennings Bryan, dollar diplomacy, as opposed to foreign missionary government clerks in Washington work, came in for a comparison that is brighter than ever. left much to be desired for the former at the annual dinner of the Twenty-four-hour-a-day Club of

MAKES VEILED ATTACK. Col. Bryan, whose public utterances in the last five years have been given government might not be embarrassed by largely to encouragement of foreign and home missionary propaganda, was criti-

as "Dollar Diplomacy." "It has been said," remarked the colo-nel toward the close of his address, "that there is danger in sending our people into the missionary field; that they are liable to bring about serious diplo matic entanglements through their activ

"Perhaps this fear is well founded; perhaps there is danger of diplomatic changlements. But it has been my ob-servation that those who go to give something are less apt to get into trou

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BAD STORM RAGES THROUGHOUT SOUTH

Casualties May Be Large; Fear for Shipping.

New Orleans, April 4.—Eadly crippled wires are holding back reports of what is believed to have been one of the most extensive sforms that has swept-the South in years. Alabama, Missis-sippi, Florida, Louisiana, and East Texas are the most severe sufferers.

DICK AT THE HEAD

motion Bureau.

of Fund Gathering.

With Senators and Representa-Sent Into the Missionary Pield tives in favor of an increase in the Represent America, the Character salaries of the government clerks, and a former Senator likely to be director of the promotion bureau which will wage the campaign for better salaries on behalf of the com mittee of one hundred, the outlook for bettering the conditions of the

FEWER BATTLE SHIPS.

Representative John H. Rothermel, of Pennsylvania in a speech last night before the Grand Council of the Royal the Y. M. C. A. at Rauscher's last the was heartly in sympa-night.

Arcanum, said he was heartly in sympa-the with the movement, and would do all in his power to have the necessary legislation enacted. He even went so far as to say he would vote for one less battle ship this session in order that the

cising the oft-expressed fear that Ameri- mittee of the committee of one hundred can missimaries endanger the peace of at the Chamber of Commerce peaceday nations, and are liable at any time to bring about diplomatic entanglements through their activities in foreign lands. And the colonel waxed caustic in the extreme, ending with a thinly welled attack on the policy attributed to President Taff's premier, unpopularly known and with a force of cierks and assistants as "Dollar Diplomary". try to make Congress see the necessity of increasing the salaries of government

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clerks, and that in his opinion the scale
ahould be increased.
"I intend to see that money shall be
appropriated and proper salaries be paid
the government clerks," said Mr. Rothermel, "I will vote for one less battle
ship this year than was authorized at the
last session, and see if some of the money
which has been devoted to increasing
the armament of the country cannot be
converted to the benefit of the District
of Columbia and its residents.
"I will take measures to see if money
cannot be appropriated for the clearing
of the streets between the Senate Office
Building and the Union Station, and also
will endeavor to get a measure passed
providing for the purchase and clearance
of about the blocks of dilapidated buildings and ranshackle structures in the
vicinity of the Capitol.
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concerning the voting privilege for the District," continued Mr. Rothermel, "but even if Washington did send two Congressmen and two Senators to Congressmen and two Senators to Congressmen, I suggested some time ago to the Board of Trade that an organization should be formed to improve the ballot all over the country. I believe that if this suggestion were followed much good would result."

Confer with Dick.

the South in years. Alabams, Mississispip, Florida, Louisiana, and Estata Texas are the most severe sufferers. Along the Gulf the damage is known to have been serious, and, while few authentic reports of life lost have been received, the number of casualties probably will be considerably larger. Selma, Ala was cut off this afternoon and to-night, but broken messages received in Montgomery reported that a cycloue passed mear there. Anniation, Ala, reports serious winds and property damage, but no life lost, At Gulfport, Miss, a trainman was killed trying to flag a fast passenger which was in the act of craining into a box car blown across its track.

At Gulfport the steeple of the Methodist church was wrecked, and the great buildings of the Gulfport the mills and the naval stores company were unroofed, allowing the iropical rain to flood their contents.

News of shipping along the coast is waited with anxiety. Storm warnings had been usued, but were not received in time by many vessels, it in feared. The British steamer Hannah M. Bell is in distress off the Florida reefs and a rollef tug has been sent.

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SIXTEEN COMPASS POINTS SWALLOWED AS MEDICINE

Cornell Instructor Gulps Capsule by Mistake-Surgeons Remove Steel Pins-Will Recover.

Ithaca. April 4.—Thinking he was taking medicine which the doctors had prescribed, Instructor John T. Williams, of Cornell University, connected with the college of mechanical engineering, put his hand into his pocket the other day, pulled out a capsule, and swallowed it. Not long after he began to hunt for 15 points of an architect's compass which he had misplaced, and recalled that he had misplaced and recalled that he was the had a had swallowed the capsule with the bad swallowed the capsule with the had swallowed the capsule with the bad swallowed the capsule wit

CLERKS' BACKING HARRISON ELECTED GROWS STRONGER; MAYOR OF CHICAGO IN A RECORD VOTE

Defeated by 17,000.

Father's Terms.

Republican Machine Throws Its Influence to Winner, While Expected Defection of Dunne Demo-Falls to Materialize-Socialist Rolls Up 22,000 Votes-Reduction in Price of Gas an Issue,

Chicago, April 4.-Chicago today elected Carter H. Harrison mayor by the largest vote ever given a candidate for that office. Also Chicago cast the largest total vote ever polled in a municipal elec-

That total vote, according to the police returns, was 364,012. Of that total Mr. Harrison received 177,-358 votes

MERRIAM GETS 100,275 VOTES. There were cast for his Republicar opponent, Prof. Charles E. Merriam, 160, 25 votes.

W. E. Rodriguez the Socialist candi-date, ran third, with a total of 22,39 votes. William A. Brubaker, the Prohibitionist

was fourth, with 2,971 votes.

Anthony Prince, the Socialist-Labor candidate, finished last, with a total of 1,912

Mr. Harrison's plurality was 17,000 votes Prof. Charles E. Merriam, alderman of the Seventh ward and the Republican candidate for mayor, conceded his de-feat in a formal statement issued about 8

o'clock.
"I am satisfied with the fight my friends made." he said. "We presented the issue of honest and progressive government, and the voters have answared. I congratulate Mrs Harrison on his vic-

Mr. Harrison's victory was so decisive that it left no doubt of the sentiment

SOCIALISTS BEATEN.

Milwaukee Shows Decided Reversal in a Year.

Milwankee, Wis., April 4.—The So-cialist candidates for judicial and school board offices were defeated today by the combining of the parties in nonpartisan tickets. The Socialists tried to elect a circuit judge, a civil judge, and two members of the school board.

The Socialists tried to nominate five school board candidates, but three of the candidates were eliminated at the primary election and the other two primary election and the other two were dropped to-day. Judge W. H. Halsey was re-elected circuit judge by 5,000 to 10,000 over J. C. Kleint, Social-list. To-day's election is a decided change from the landslide of a year ago, when the Socialists carried prac-tically every city office.

Istrian Fires Gun in St.

Rome, April 4.—During mass at St. Peter's this morning an Istrian mad-man entered the church and leveled a revolver at the priest. He then shot a policeman who rushed to disarm him. The congregation, which included many

prevolver at the priest. He then snot a policeman who rushed to disarr him. The congregation, which included many Americans and English, became panic-stricken and rushed out of the building. The man was finally disarmed. The policeman was slightly wounded. It was learned latter by the police that the man well of the shooting was a bricklayer by the name of Pietro Desanti, and that he was forty-two years old. He stated that he was a native of Listia. He added that he is neither a socialist nor an anarchist, but an anti-clerical, who hated all religions and priests. Continuing his narrative to the police, he said he came to Rome last August with the fixed intention of killing the Pope. After thinking it over, he realized the impossibility of this plan and at last decided to kill a priest, and had at last decided to lift a priest, and had left had not been assembled that an uncle and aunt who had reared him had distinherited him at the institution of the priests, and had left their money to the church. When he found that this plan was on foot he likelied his uncle and aunt, and after their money to the church. When he found that this plan was on foot he likelied his uncle and aunt, and after their money to the church. When he found that this plan was on foot he skilled his uncle and aunt, and after their money to the church. When he found that this plan was on foot he skilled his uncle and aunt, and after the life in the woods in mall pouch between Tampa and Tarpon Springs, on the present of the price of

SPEAKER CLARK CALLING HOUSE TO ORDER.



MAYOR MAHOOL DEFEATED IN BALTIMORE PRIMARIES

Preston, Organization Candidate for Mayor, Wins, as Does Timanus for the Republicans.

Berial to The Washington Herald.

Baltimore, Md., April 4.—Both the From the enormous registration hope had

While larger than the primary of four vears ago, the vote hardly came up to. The election will take place May 2.

Baltimore, Md., April 4.—Both the Democratic and Republican organization candidates for mayor and the city council won out here to-day in the primaries by overwhelming majorities.

James H. Preston was nominated by the Democrats for the mayoralty over Mayor J. Barry Mahool by a majority of over \$,000.

John Hubert, Democrat, was nominated for the presidency of the second branch city council by a pinrality over George Numsen, the incumbent, of between 4,000 and 5,000.

James F. Thrift, Democrat, was nominated for comptroller by a majority of about 15,000.

Former Mayor E. Clay Timanus was nominated by the Republicans for mayor by over 10,000 majority over Torsch. George R. Heffner for comptroller, and addison Mullikin for president of the second branch.

Vote Is Disappointing.

While larger than the primary of four

BOY LOCKED IN BOX CAR BY CONVICT FOR REVENGE

PRIEST AT MASS First Clew to Whereabouts of Lad Contained in Letter to His Uncle, Who Sent Man to Jail.

Philadelphia. April 4.—The first clew to the whereabouts of twelve-year-old the whereabouts of twelve-year-old Bernard Rogers, an orphan, who disappeared mysteriously last Monday, came to-day to his uncle, Assistant Discontrict Attorney Joseph P. Rogers, with whom he lived, in the form of a letter from an anonymous ex-convict, who said he had locked the lad in an empty Delaware. Lackawanna and Western box car in the Baltimore and Ohio yards, to secure vengeance against the assistant discontinuous control of the car is given as 2048; and for this car a search was begun to-day by police and railroad officials. The letter was dated April 3 and mailed from a local station. The writer expressed satisfaction that he was able to make Mr. Rogers miserable, and the hope that the boy was dead.

Philadelphia. April 4.—The first clew to trict attorney for sending him to prison

SHOT FROM AMBUSH.

American Wounded in Mexico and Investigation to Be Made.

Clarence A. Miller, the American con sul at Tampico, Mexico, telegraphed the State Department yesterday that George Crichfield has been shot from ambush near his ranch, near Tuxpom. It is said he cannot recover.

Crichfield is well known in Hudson County, N. J., where he ran for Con-gress in the Ninth New Jersey district on the Republican ticket in the fall of 1968, being defeated by Representative E. F. Kinkead. His home is in Jersey City. He is married and has one son, Grant, nineteen years old. Mrs. Crichfield is a prominent member of the Jersey City Woman's Club, and is actively engaged in philanthropic and church

work. work.

Crichfield left home in the latter part of January for his ranch in the mountains, about twelve miles from Tuxpan, Mexico, where the shooting is reported to have taken place. He is interested in a company which is prospecting for oil, and he went to Mexico for the purpose of working out the plans of the company. The convening of yesterday's Congress marked the passing of a political regime in both branches. In the House the Re-publican organization, as represented by the Cannon leadership and a majority of pany.

The State Department has directed that an immediate investigation be made into the facts of the case. backed by an overwhelming majority of

GIRLS IN OVERALLS.

Escaped Inmates of New Jersey end. With the Republicans having only

Home Are Captured.

Trenton, N. J., April 4.—Henrietta Wakefield and Hattie Conklin, inmates of the New Jersey State Home for Girls, who escaped from that Institution recently, were captured by Pollceman Bedwell, in Princeton, to-day. The were dressed in old overalls and other garments worn by men. well, in Princeton, to-day. The were freezed in old overalls and other gar-ments worn by men.

From the stories told by the girls.

when they made their escape from the when they made their escape from the home they were accompanied by Elsie Seeds. The trousers worn by the Seeds girl, the captives added, belonged to a stout man, and the suspenders had broken when they were riding on a trolley car from here to Princeton. Elsie Seeds, therefore, was compelled to alight. Her companions said they have heard nothing from her since.

AVENUE TO LINCOLN AVENUE

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Representative E. T. Taylor, a Democrat from Colorado, does not believe that the nation should await the erection of a \$2,000,000 monument to honor fittingly the memory of Abraham Lincoln. In a bill Mr. Taylor introduced in the House yesterday it is provided that the name of Pennsylvania avenue in Washington be changed

to "Lincoln avenue." Mr. Taylor maintains that no more fitting mode of perpetuating the fame of Lincoln could be devised than by giving the famous

Sunday's Edition of The Washington Herald Will Contain Many Local Features,